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HONGKONG STATION: 31st July, 1896.

FURTHER REVISION OF TARIFFS.

OWING to the continued depreciation of silver, and to the fact that the Companies' Outpayments to other TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATIONS for further transmission of Telegrams beyond their own system in the East are fixed in gold, the Charges for Telegrams to EUROPE and AMERICA will be collected at the Companies' Stations in China at the following Rate per Word on and after the 1st August next.

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J. M. BECK, For Manager in China.

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H. G. BROWN & COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY will be held at the OFFICES of the GENERAL MANAGERS, 27, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, on MONDAY, the 17th inst., immediately after the Ordinary Yearly Meeting, to be held at same place at NOON on the same day, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution, viz.:—That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865-1891.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1745

THE HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 8 per Cent. or $1.20 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Shareholders held This Day will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after SATURDAY, 1st AUGUST, 1896.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply to the OFFICE of the COMPANY for WARRANTS.

By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1746

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DADABHOY FRAMJEE FUTTAKIA, LATE OF CANTON, IN THE EMPIRE OF CHINA, MERCHANT, DECEASED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Honourable JOHN WORRELL CARRINGTON, C.M.G., Chief Justice, has by virtue of Section 3 of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870 made an Order limiting to the 31st October, 1896, the time for sending in claims against the said estate.

All Creditors are hereby required to send in their claims to the Undersigned before the said date.

Dated the 31st July, 1896.

S. B. BHABHA, R. C. VANIA, the Administrators.

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HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

THERE will be no COMPETITION TO-DAY.

F. SMYTH, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [58

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship "TAIWAN," Captain Benson, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 3rd inst., at 10 A.M.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1740

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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THE Company's Steamship "PATROCLUS," Captain Dickens, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 4th inst.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1750

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship "HAIMUN," Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 4th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1751

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship "HAITAN," Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 5th inst., at Noon.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1752

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

THE Company's Steamship "MEMNON," Captain B. Branch, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th inst., at 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1753

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1707

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the Fifteenth day of AUGUST, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1896.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 29th July, 1896. [1727

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS OF SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the First to the Fifteenth day of AUGUST (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 29th July, 1896. [1728

H. G. BROWN & COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the GENERAL MANAGERS, 27, QUEEN'S ROAD, on MONDAY, the 17th of AUGUST, 1896, at NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Consulting Committee and General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1895, and electing Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 17th August, both days inclusive.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1896. [1716

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL on FRIDAY, the 21st AUGUST, at NOON, for the Purpose of Receiving a Statement of Accounts to the 30th JUNE, 1896, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matters that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 21st August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1896. [1741

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 1,898, dated 26th May, 1886, of the Ten Shares, Nos. 3,681/3,690, in this Company, standing in the name of Mr. FRANK ARTHUR MORGAN, of Peking, at present residing at Kiukiang, has been LOST, and if at the expiration of One Month from the date hereof the above document be not forthcoming another Certificate will be issued by the Company, and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.

GEO. L. TOMLIN, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1635

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 3rd August.

FOR THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA, T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

FOR THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager.

FOR THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED, J. W. R. TAYLOR, Manager, Hongkong.

FOR THE BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, Hongkong Agency, M. LACAZE, pro Manager.

FOR THE BANK OF CHINA AND JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG, CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager.

Hongkong, 29th July, 1896. [1730

INSURANCE HOLIDAY.

THE Undermentioned Insurance Offices will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 3rd August, 1896.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD., General Managers.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD., N. J. EDE, Secretary.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LD., R. KENNARD DAVIS, Acting Agent.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD., W. H. RAY, Agent.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD., SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, GEORGE L. TOMLIN, Acting Secretary.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD., WM. MACBEAN, Manager.

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Hongkong, 28th July, 1896. [1719

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1896. [1533

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L. BÉGUEX, Manager.

Kobe, 15th July, 1896. [a1691

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Hongkong, 25th July, 1896. [1696

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Hongkong, 3rd July, 1896. [a830

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Hongkong, 2nd September, 1895. [1827

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Hongkong, 28th July, 1896. [1720

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1896. [150

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ARRIVALS.

July 30, CITY OF DUBLIN, British str., 2,154, Jas. R. Rae, Singapore 23rd July, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

July 30, TETARTOS, German str., 1,311, P. Cornelsen, Singapore 23rd July, and Hoihow 29th, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

July 31, PHRA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, J. Fowler, Bangkok via Hoihow 22nd July, General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

July 31, CHOYSANG, British str., 1,194, Sawer, Canton 31st July, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

July 31, HUPEH, British str., 1,847, T. Quail, Saigon 23rd July, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

July 31, TAIWAN, British str., 1,109, W. Benson, Shanghai 25th July, and Swatow 30th, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

July 31, GAELIC, British str., 4,209, Pearne, San Francisco 2nd July, Honolulu 10th, Yokohama 24th, and Nagasaki 27th, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

July 31, MEMNON, British str., 825, Branch, Sandakan 21st July, Timber.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

July 31, MONMOUTHSHIRE, British str., 1,874, W. A. Evans, Mororan via Kobe 19th July, Coal.—DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.

July 31, NANCHANG, British str., 1,002, E. Finlayson, Swatow 30th July, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

July 31, NERITE, British str., 2,760, Davies, Novorossisk and Singapore 25th July, Kerosine.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

July 31, STRATHDEE, British str., 1,709, R. Forsyth, Cardiff 14th June, Coal.—DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.

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Haitan, British str., for Swatow.
Menmuir, British str., for Kobe.

DEPARTURES.

July 31, ELAX, British str., for Yokohama.
July 31, CROMARTY, British str., for Shanghai.
July 31, CHITTAGONG, Brit. str., for Amoy, &c.
July 31, FOOKSANG, British str., for Shanghai.
July 31, HAITAN, British str., for Coast Ports.
July 31, MENMUIR, British str., for Kobe.
July 31, PYRRHUS, British str., for London.
July 31, PANTHER, Austrian str., for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

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DEPARTED.

Per *Fooksang*, str., for Shanghai—Mrs. Scott and child, Mrs. Brumfield, Rev. J. W. Davis.

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Register of Shares of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation closed to 15th August.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, AUGUST 1st, 1896.

FROM the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce it will be seen that it was decided to address the Government and suggest the omission of returns of the trade of the port from the Harbour Master's report in future, on the ground that the figures of certain imports, being only partial, are hopelessly misleading. In the letter to be addressed to the Government the reasons on which this opinion is founded will no doubt be set out at length. We are at present in ignorance of what those reasons may be, but they will have to be strong ones to induce the Government to adopt the suggestion. The figures given by the Harbour Master must inevitably be incomplete in the conditions under which they have to be collected, but so far as they go they seem to be extremely useful and valuable. They afford a means of instituting a comparison between the trade in one year and that in another, and although they may not be complete the inaccuracy will probably be about the same in different years and will therefore not vitiate the comparison. It seems to us most desirable that we should have some approximately reliable barometer of the trade of the port, such as that afforded by the Harbour Master's returns. The figures of the tonnage entering and leaving used to be accepted for that purpose, but a few years ago we were assured that, though shipping is the lifeblood of the colony, an increase in the tonnage frequenting the port was compatible with declining trade. It is hardly necessary to dwell on the importance of knowing whether trade is really declining or expanding at any particular period. Any individual looking at the returns given in the Harbour Master's report might perhaps say that he did not see what use such figures could be to him in his own particular business, but to the community as a whole they appear to us to be very useful indeed. There can be little doubt now that the depression which commenced in 1889 and continued for the next three or four years, with its attendant financial stringency, was intensified by the exaggerated statements made concerning it, and the idea that the colony suffered materially thereby. Had we had returns of the trade of the port at that time the information they would have given, showing that there was really no diminution in the volume of business, would have had a tendency to restore public confidence and make things better all round. To the Government such information must be invaluable; indeed, it is difficult to see how the administration of the public finances can be intelligently carried on without some means of gauging the state of trade, or how the requirements of the colony in the matter of public works of certain descriptions and the appropriate times for entering upon expensive improvements can be properly determined. In his report on the Blue Book H.E. the Governor says the expectations he formed and gave expression to some four and a half years ago, and which were then adversely criticized and even treated in some quarters with derision, have been or are in course of being fulfilled. Instead of vague expectations put forward on the one side and derided on the other there ought to be some standard to which all parties might refer when the commercial condition and prospects of the colony are in question. This the Harbour Master has attempted to supply, and although the figures collected by him may not be complete that does not seem a good reason for discontinuing the work. Even a defective barometer, though not so useful as a good one, may be of some service; and the defects being known they are not likely to mislead. The mercantile community of Hongkong does not want detailed statistics of the trade collected, or, it would perhaps be more correct to say, it does not want to supply such statistics, but we doubt if there is any strong objection to furnishing gross figures such as those collected by the Harbour Master and which are supplied voluntarily. The letter to be addressed by the Chamber of Commerce to the Government may place the matter in a different light, but at first view the Committee's recommendation does not strike us as discreet.

The Austrian cruiser *Panther* left for Shanghai yesterday.

There were two cases of plague yesterday. Both are believed to have come from the mainland.

We are glad to hear that Miss McIntosh is now out of danger and is expected to make a rapid recovery.

Owing to indisposition His Honour the Chief Justice was unable to preside at the distribution of prizes at the Belilios Public School yesterday.

At the Police Court yesterday L. Machado was fined $25 for gambling in the old Victoria Hotel. Four Chinamen who were with him were each fined $3.

Yesterday morning two bodies were picked up in the sea near Tsimsatsui. It is probable they were those of persons who lost their lives during the typhoon.

The Treasurer of the Japan Tidal Wave Relief Fund informs us that the sum of $4,000 was remitted to the Committee of the Kobe Relief Fund yesterday by wire.

"The continued depreciation of silver" is the reason alleged by the Cable Companies for an important increase in rates, which will be found notified in our advertisement columns. The rate between Shanghai and this has been doubled.

Wirth's Circus will reopen this evening at the same location as before and with an entirely new programme consisting of twenty numbers. All the damage done by the typhoon has been thoroughly repaired and the tent is in comfortable order.

At a Committee meeting of the Yokohama Chamber of Commerce (Japanese), held on the 20th July, it was resolved to petition the Government for the abolition of export duties on raw silk, tea, marine products, copper, and other miscellaneous wares.

To-morrow morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam launch *Dayspring*, carrying the Bethel flag, will call alongside any vessel hoisting the answering pennant, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's (Seamen's) Church, returning about 12.30.

The steamer *Mount Lebanon*, which left Yokohama for Portland on the 30th June, delivered her cargo as follows:—Teas in Chicago on the 29th, silk in New York on the 30th, and tea in New York on the 30th July. The steamer left Victoria, B.C., on Thursday for Yokohama via Honolulu.

Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., was a passenger for Shanghai by the N. D. L. steamer *Sachsen*. We hear he has been retained by the China Navigation Co. in connection with the proceedings arising out of the collision between the *Nanchang* and the *Onwo*. Mr. W. V. Drummond represents the Indo-China Co. It was reported that the case had been arranged, but that announcement appears to have been a mistake.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha advertise the opening of a new fortnightly service to Seattle in connection with the steamers of the Great Northern Railway. The *Miike Maru* is to make the first voyage. She will start from Kobe on the 1st August and from Yokohama on the 5th, reaching her destination via Hawaii. Mr. Iwanaga, a director, and Mr. Masujima, a consulting lawyer, of the Company, are now in St. Paul, Minnesota, concluding a contract with Mr. Hill, President of the railway. The contract is expected to be signed and exchanged in a day or two.—*Japan Mail*.

A remarkable and very fortunate feature of Wednesday's typhoon was the small amount of rain that fell. In the typhoon of October, 1894, the rainfall registered was over ten inches, and had the same amount fallen on Wednesday the damage to house property would have been very much greater than it was, for when the earth has become thoroughly saturated by a continuous and heavy downpour they are much more liable to partial or total collapse under conditions of high wind than in comparatively dry weather. According to the Observatory report the rainfall on Wednesday was only 1.67 in.

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha has submitted a written programme for a service of steamers to Formosa, compiled at the instance of the Governor-General's Office. The principal points in the programme are that steamers of at least 2,000 tons displacement shall ply between Kobe and Kelung thrice a month; that the number of steamers [illegible] increased to six a month; and, lastly, that steamers of at least 1,200 tons displacement shall ply between Tamsui, Amoy, Swatow, and Hongkong three times a month. A special subsidy from the Government is thought necessary for the service to China and to Formosan harbours in the vicinity of the savage districts.—*Japan Mail*.

The *Japan Gazette* of the 23rd July says:—Japan is a land of many misfortunes. Scarcely [illegible] since we were stirred with the tidings of a terrific sea-wave which hurled thirty thousand people to immediate death. Now from all parts of the country comes news of damages by floods. Railways are washed away, telegraph wires destroyed, and in many places we are cut off from all communication with the outer world. The fertile plain of Gifu once again suffers [illegible]. Fifty years ago it was devastated by an earthquake that wrought frightful ruin. In 1891 it was submerged by floods and now it is [illegible] Government [illegible] to recognise the danger of allowing river beds to silt up to a considerable height above the level of the surrounding country, for [illegible] to irrigation is more than counterbalanced by the danger in the rainy season.

Referring to the letter of the Acting Director of the Sicawei Observatory to the Shanghai papers, reproduced in our columns a day or two ago, the *Mercury* says:—We should have preferred not to have had to publish Père Froc's letter in our issue of yesterday, which [illegible] under a misunderstanding [illegible] was intended with [illegible] that the respected Père not unjustly claims as [illegible] desire to sit in [illegible] between the Hongkong and Sicawei Observatories, but we must confess we always took a considerable interest in the telegrams which were freely and courteously placed at the disposal of the public by the managers of the Telegraph Companies. If we allowed them [illegible] more northern [illegible] we placed greater confidence in them with regard to the south [illegible] the fact that [illegible] from Père Froc's [illegible] are we not all fallible mortals [illegible] to judge between the Hongkong and Sicawei [illegible] result of Père Froc's letter has been to deprive us of these useful telegrams [illegible] clothes? [illegible] Hongkong and Sicawei some means may be found of assuaging these *celestium iræ*.

THE LOSS OF THE "ILTIS."

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE "DAILY PRESS."]

SHANGHAI, 31st July.

Details of the loss of the German gunboat *Iltis* have now come to hand. She left Chefoo on Thursday, the 23rd July, and the same day struck the rocks and broke in two. The bow remained above water, but the stern sank. Eleven men were rescued from the bow on Saturday and taken to the lighthouse. The remainder of the crew and all the officers went down with the after part of the vessel.

[FROM BANGKOK PAPERS.]

OBITUARY.

London, 17th July.

Senator Guichard, who was elected Chairman of the Suez Canal Co. in 1893 in succession to M. Ferdinand de Lesseps, is dead.

CUBA.

London, 19th July.

The Cubans have defeated a Spanish column with heavy loss, capturing the General.

THE TYPHOON AT MACAO.

THE "HEUNGSHAN'S" EXPERIENCES.

Captain Clarke, of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s steamer *Heungshan*, which left Hongkong on Wednesday afternoon on her usual trip to Macao, reports having anchored in North Lantao Channel and there experienced the typhoon. The squalls from the east and south-east were terrific between 8 p.m. and midnight, and one Chinese male passenger on board died from sheer fright. The lowest reading of the barometer was 28.80. At 8.30 a.m. on Thursday got under weigh and proceeded towards Macao. At 9.15, off the west end of Lantao, a Chinaman was rescued in a very exhausted condition from some wreckage; he was the only survivor out of a crew of ten.

Many large junks foundered along the coast of Lantao and no doubt many lives have been lost.

At Macao much damage has been done by the wind and sea. The whole of the Praya wall is more or less damaged and many houses have suffered, amongst others the Boa Vista Hotel, which sustained much damage to the roof. The craft in the Inner Harbour suffered a good deal and some lives were lost in spite of the ample warning given by the Harbour authorities.

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

BEST SCORE CUP FOR JULY.

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Mr. C. H. Grace	98	12	86
Mr. C. E. Hume	98	4	94

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LD.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of the shareholders in the above Company was held at the office of the Company, 18, Bank Buildings, yesterday. Hon. E. R. Belilios presided, and there were also present Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, Messrs. F. A. Gomes, J. Kramer, N. A. Siebs (Directors), T. Arnold (Secretary), Capt. A. Tillett, Messrs. A. A. da Cruz, E. J. Moses, F. E. C. Georg, J. R. Michael, S. H. Michael, G. H. Potts, J. S. Perry, D. W. Craddock, D. E. Brown, W. D. Graham, C. H. Thompson, Woo Hon, and Chun Chai.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, as you have now had the report and accounts before you for some time, I would propose that they be taken as read. When we last met I ventured to predict that, with a cheaper coal contract, we would show an even better result of the steamers' working than that attained for the previous half-year, and I am glad to say that that prediction has been amply verified by a substantial increase of $17,000, while as compared with the corresponding six months of 1895 an improvement of $45,000 is shown. The repairs account has been somewhat heavy, for the reason explained in the report. In the early part of the half year, in consequence of the sudden development of a flaw in one of the paddle shafts of the *Honam*, that steamer had to be laid up for over a month to have a spare shaft fitted, and advantage was taken of this lengthy lay-up to have considerable other repairs effected, which in the ordinary course would have stood over until next docking. With regard to the other shaft, I may say that your directors, acting upon the advice of experts, deemed it prudent to make arrangements changing that one also. A new shaft was consequently ordered from England, the cost of which is included in the accounts now before you, but the expense of fitting it will attach to the current half year. Besides this, there will be the usual annual docking and repairs of the *Powan* and *Heungshan* and an overhaul of the *White Cloud*, but with the substantial amount carried forward I trust that not only will all these expenses be met, but that at the end of the year we shall be able to do something further towards writing down the book values of our steamers. The opening of the West River is still a matter of the future; but I may say that the result of the journey to Wuchowfu made by Captain Clarke has been the acquisition of much valuable information which will be of great use to us when this long talked-of event comes about. Good progress has been made with the two small steamers now being built for us by the Dock Company and we hope to see them usefully employed before the end of the year. With the refund of four lakhs of capital you will observe that there has been a corresponding diminution of the item "interest on investments," the Company only having had the use of these funds for about six weeks in the early part of the year. The difference in our interest account consequent upon this return of capital will be some $25,000 a year. The condition of our investments continues satisfactory. During the half year a realisation was effected, showing a profit of nearly $79,000, which is included in the profit and loss account. The remaining investments stand at what we consider safe values, while the amount at credit of investment fluctuation account is practically the same as that of last half year. With regard to the item "property foreclosed," this is scarcely the sort of asset that your directors care to hold for a lengthened period, and I am glad to say that arrangements have been made whereby it will be expunged from our books shortly without loss to the Company. Before concluding, I must express the regret felt by the Board, which doubtless will be shared by many of those present, at the news which we have recently received of the death of our Commodore, Captain Lefavour, an old and faithful servant of the Company. It does not occur to me to say anything more gentlemen, beyond mentioning the fact that the current half year has opened well, and I would therefore now propose the adoption of the report and accounts; but before doing so I shall be pleased to answer any questions which shareholders may wish to put regarding the matters now before the meeting.

No questions being asked, the report and accounts were thereupon unanimously adopted on the proposition of the CHAIRMAN seconded by Mr. BROWN.

The CHAIRMAN—The other business, gentlemen, is the re-election of the retiring directors, Mr. N. A. Siebs and the Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving.

Mr. GEORG—I beg to propose that the retiring directors be re-elected.

Mr. POTTS seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The retiring auditors, Messrs. A. O'D. Gourdin and F. Henderson, were unanimously re-elected on the proposition of Capt. TILLET seconded by Mr. J. R. MICHAEL.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. I thank you for your attendance.

The Blood is the source from which our systems are built up, and from which we derive our mental as well as our physical capabilities. If the blood is impure [illegible] Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases [illegible] to give Clarke's [illegible] to test its value [illegible] been effected by it. Sold everywhere [illegible] at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

BELILIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Yesterday morning Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart (Colonial Secretary) distributed the prizes to scholars attending the Belilios Public School. There was a large attendance of parents, scholars, and friends.

Hon. J. H. STEWART LOCKHART—Ladies and gentlemen, I must first of all explain the reason of my presence here to-day. As you are all aware, His Honour Chief Justice Carrington was to have presented the prizes, but I much regret to have to inform you that owing to illness he is unable to be present. I am sure you will all be very disappointed at his absence, especially on account of the cause. I do not know whether you are aware, as I am, that Chief Justice Carrington takes a very deep interest in all matters appertaining to education, and I am sure if he had been here he would have favoured us with an address which would have been interesting and most instructive. With regard to the results in the girls' school last year I cannot do better than inform you briefly of the remarks made by the Inspector of Schools in a portion of his report. I may remind you that this school is divided into two divisions, the upper school and the lower school. The upper school is purely English, and with regard to it I may say that 104 pupils presented themselves for examination and 92 were examined. The range of the examination included all the usual subjects of an English education with physical geography added as a special subject. The attainments in classes 1 to 4 in English history, English composition, and map drawing were surprisingly high throughout, and in the same classes the examinations in grammar and geography were uniformly good. In classes 5 to 7 the results of the examinations were of an even more uniformly high character than in the upper classes. The same was the case with the infant division (class 9), the examining of which gave evidence of very careful and successful teaching. In the lower school 107—all Chinese girls—were presented for examination, and 89 were fully examined. The subjects of examination were the reading and repeating of the Chinese classics, with the addition of arithmetic in class 3, geography in class 2, and composition in class 1, and the results of the examination were good. I regret, however, to say that the attendance was not quite so good owing to the existence of the plague in Hongkong. It seems that the attendance in the upper school diminished owing to the plague, whereas the attendance in the lower school was not in the least affected. The mention of the plague has reminded me that it might be useful in this school if some attempt were made to teach the girls nursing. As you are all aware there is in Hongkong a very great want of nurses, a want to which attention has often been called publicly and also privately. It is true we have at the Government Civil Hospital a staff of sisters of which any colony might well feel proud, and we had only quite recently a very striking instance of the manner in which those nurses are devoted to their duty. I refer to Sister Catherine, Miss McIntosh, who contracted plague during the performance of her duty at Kennedytown Hospital. It will I am sure be gratifying to you as it is to me to hear that she is now recovering. (Applause.) I think an instance such as I have mentioned ought to be a stimulus to you girls to follow in her worthy steps and to imitate the example she has set you all. (Applause.) This suggestion I have thrown out might be taken seriously into consideration by Mrs. Bateman and by others interested in this school, and I am quite certain that if they are able to undertake the important task of teaching girls to nurse, they will render a very great benefit to this colony. (Applause.) I may safely remind you perhaps that this school was founded on the 1st March, 1890, and that the present building was first occupied in 1893. During that period a thousand girls have passed through the school, a result which is, I think, highly satisfactory. (Applause.) The education given in this school is, as you will be able to judge from the report of the Inspector of Schools, of a very high standard indeed, and I think Mrs. Bateman and her energetic staff are to be congratulated on the satisfactory results which have been obtained by them. (Applause.) I notice in Mrs. Bateman's report, which will be read directly by the Inspector of Schools, that a beginning has been made in the establishment of a library, and that that beginning ought to be encouraged is, I am sure, the feeling of everybody present. (Applause.) I am not speaking now as Colonial Secretary, and I would advise Mrs. Bateman to approach the Government with a view to obtaining a grant for the library. I think I may safely say that the Colonial Secretary will give that application his hearty support. (Applause.) I observe also that Mrs. Bateman has not only a strong belief in mental acquirements but is also in favour of physical recreation for her pupils. I think everybody ought to support Mrs. Bateman in her endeavour to give her pupils recreation. I see mention of other suggestions, one being that a lawn tennis ground ought to be provided in order to give the girls an opportunity of indulging in that form of recreation. I believe the sum of $100 will be sufficient to put the ground in a condition which will enable the girls to play, and perhaps in future lawn tennis champions of the colony will be found amongst them. If others will come forward and contribute I am quite willing to subscribe $25 towards having the tennis ground put in a proper state. (Applause.) I believe it is usual on occasions like this to congratulate prize winners and to condole with those who have not won prizes. I must confess my feelings of sympathy are invariably with those who have not won prizes, because the chances are that they have all worked very strenuously, perhaps more strenuously than those who receive prizes. But those who have not won them now have worked hard and they have the inward satisfaction of knowing that they have done their best, and that nobody, whether man or woman, could do more. (Applause.) With these few remarks I will call upon the Inspector of Schools to read the report of the Head mistress, Mrs. Bateman.

Dr. EITEL then read the report of the Head Mistress for the year, which was as follows:—

Belilios Public School,
Hongkong, 20th July, 1896.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward you the sixth annual report of the Belilios Public School.

The increase of English children mentioned in my report last year has still been continued, the average monthly attendance being quite 9 per cent. in excess of the preceding year.

I am glad to be able to state that the appearance of plague, which materially affected the number in the Chinese division, did not influence the attendance in the English part of the school.

There is the usual disparity between the numbers admitted during the course of the year and the names remaining on the register at the close. This is chiefly owing to the migratory habit of certain portions of the community, though that the school is fully appreciated is shown by the fact that the great majority in the three upper classes has regularly attended since the time (March, 1890) when the school was originally started.

Had the numbers who have been entered on the register since that date (in addition to the scholars in the Chinese division) remained in the colony, our present spacious building would have been ere this overcrowded.

In response to my appeal last year for funds to procure a new piano, His Excellency the Governor most generously offered to head a subscription list. This having been followed by the Hon. E. R. Belilios and other kind friends, we have succeeded in procuring an excellent instrument from Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., who kindly remitted $50 of the original cost. On my drawing attention to the need of suitable reading other than school literature for the girls, the Rev. R. F. Cobbold signified his willingness to start a fund for a library. This being supplemented by various contributions from other generous friends, we are now in possession of a small collection of books obtained from England through the kind offices of the Rev. T. W. Pearce, of the London Missionary Society. As the number of books is very limited and these are being read with great avidity by the girls, it will soon be necessary to increase the supply. As a small means towards this end a monthly contribution is paid by each girl who has availed herself of the advantage of joining the library. But as this will be a slow method of obtaining an appreciable increase of books, any additional help in books or money will be gratefully received.

It is not only the mental recreation of which I would speak, but I would also draw attention to the importance of physical exercise. To help in a measure to meet this want a gentleman most kindly presented a tennis net and poles for the use of the pupils; but, unfortunately, owing to the rough state of the playground, it has been quite impossible for them to avail themselves of this healthy exercise. The funds at our disposal are only sufficient to provide the ordinary school apparatus; consequently it is not in our power to incur the expense of laying down a court, the cost of which I understand would not exceed $100. In our staff there have been no changes, a great advantage to the School, with the exception of the appointment of an additional pupil teacher, necessitated by the increased numbers.

The annual examination by the Inspector of Schools began on July 1st, the results of which will be given by Dr. Eitel.—I have, &c.,

(Sd.) E. A. BATEMAN,
Headmistress.

The Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Colonial Secretary.

The Colonial Secretary then distributed the prizes, and at the conclusion a very interesting entertainment was given by the children, the programme consisting of songs, recitations, pianoforte duets, and drills. The pupils went through the drills with marked precision, and the Colonial Secretary complimented Sergeant Collins, the drill instructor, on the very successful results of his work. A play in which nursery rhymes played an important part was also given by scholars in the following characters—Queen, Ella King; Herald, Annie Parker; Little Jack Horner, Albert Ahwee; Mistress Mary, Amelia Watling; Margery Daw, Georgie King and Minnie Sutherland; Georgie Porgie, George Young; Humpty Dumpty, Maude Kennedy; Jack and Jill, Rudolph Neubrunn and Florence Joseph; Ride-a-Cock-horse, Annie Neil; Little Bo-Peep, Ethel Parker.

Cheers for Mrs. Bateman, the Colonial Secretary, and Dr. Eitel concluded the proceedings.

The following is the prize list:—

Class 1.—Reading, Ethel Long. Composition, Ruby Ley Kum. Arithmetic, May Hunter. Grammar, Lizzie Olson. Geography, May Hunter. Maps, Madeline Quincey. History, Ruby Ley Kum. Dictation, Lizzie Olson. Writing, Madeline Quincey. Needlework, Madeline Quincey. Highest number of Marks, Ruby Ley Kum.

Class 2.—Reading, Ida Armstrong. Composition, Eliza Moore. Arithmetic, Mary Quincey. Grammar, Eliza Moore. Geography, Ida Armstrong. Maps, Ida Armstrong. History, Hannah Olson. Dictation, Hannah Olson. Writing, Louisa Heang. Needlework, Louisa Heang. Highest number of Marks, Eliza Moore.

Class 3.—Reading, Edith Plinston. Composition, Rosie Kennett. Arithmetic, Ella King. Grammar, Eliza Turner. Geography, Ella King. Maps, Annie Parker. History, Rosie Kennett. Dictation, Edith Plinston. Writing, Annie Parker. Needlework, Annie Parker. Highest number of Marks, Edith Plinston.

Class 4.—Reading, Maude Craig. Composition, Letitia King. Arithmetic, Joherah Mahomed. Grammar, Jennie Madar. Geography, Emma Legg. History, Maude Craig. Dictation, Madeline Dilworth. Writing, Daisy Mather. Needlework, Letitia King. Highest number of Marks, Madeline Dilworth.

Class 5.—Reading, Hannah Moore. Arithmetic, Fatima Mahomed. Grammar, Lily King. Geography, Rosetta Ahwee. Dictation, Nellie Olson. Writing, Alice Leobirel. Needlework, Nellie Olson. Highest number of Marks, Kitty Abraham.

Class 6.—Reading, Bessie Kennett. Writing, Helena Ismail. Arithmetic, Cecilia Quincey. Needlework, Lily Heang. Highest number of marks, Bessie Kennett.

Class 7.—Reading, Minnie Sutherland. Writing, Rachael Neubrunn. Arithmetic, Usuf Kin. Needlework, Amelia Watling. Highest number of marks, John Duncan.

Class 8.—Reading, Mary Davis. Writing, Ethel Parker. Arithmetic, Ida Noma. Needlework, Martha Peterson. Highest number of marks, Rudolf Neubrunn.

Infants.—Improvement, Annie Neill.

Recitation.—Bessie Kennett, Eva Rodger, Bessie Walker.

Drill.—Eliza Turner.

Regular Attendance.—Class 1, May Hunter. Class 2, Hannah Olson. Class 3, Rosie Kennett. Class 4, Maude Craig. Class 5, Rosetta Ahwee. Class 6, Ahchai Dalbasah. Class 7, Albert Ahwee. Class 8, George Young.

Chinese Embroidery.—1st, Joherae Mahomed; 2nd, Mary Quincey.

Chinese Literature.—Class 1, 1st prize, Li Tam-mun. Class 2, 1st prize, T'su T'soi. Class 3, 1st prize, Ma Sin, 2nd prize, Li San-mui, 3rd prize, Mak Mui. Class 4, 1st prize, Li Kam-i, 2nd prize, Ch'am Chum, 3rd prize, Ta'm Cheung-tsoi.

Chinese Embroidery.—1st prize, Ts'u Mi-in, 2nd prize, Sham Yuk-lin, 3rd prize, Chan Chu-nan.

Thanks are due to the following gentlemen for their kind subscriptions to the Piano, Prize, and Library fund of this school:—His Excellency Sir William Robinson, Hon. E. R. Belilios, Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, Hon. A. Maconachie, Right Rev. Bishop Burdon, Rev. R. Cobbold, Dr. Eitel, Captain Anderson, Captain Burnie, Messrs. J. M. Armstrong, R. Cooke, R. Crook, Victor Deacon, H. L. Dennys, D. Gillies, J. D. Humphreys, Ho Tung, Ho Fook, Ho Amei, T. Jackson, Ku Fai Shau, G. J. W. King, T. Lammert, Lau Wy Choun, H. N. Mody, W. Quincey, A. Rodger, C. W. Richards, R. Shewan, D. Sassoon, Findlay Smith, Tong Wan, Tong Long-hin, W. Tam, Wai Lun Shek, Harry Wicking, R. Wright, Yeung Wai-on, per the Misses Lizzie Abraham, May Hunter, Ella King, Maud Parker.

MESSRS. LEIGH AND ORANGE AND THE SANITARY BOARD.

Messrs. Leigh and Orange have forwarded to us, with a request for publication, the following copy of a letter they have written to Mr. McCallum with reference to the allusions made to them at Thursday's Sanitary Board meeting:—

31st July 1896.

H. McCallum, Esq.

SIR,—We are surprised to see in yesterday's proceedings of your Board a reference to a so-called advertisement in the Chinese newspapers. We beg to state that we had no intention nor need to advertise and sent a letter commencing "Sir" and ending "Yours truly" and were not aware of the form or manner in which it was printed in Chinese, and as you are doubtless aware your translation is different to our letter and embellished with additions. We wished to inform Chinese owners generally the importance of the Magistrate's decision of the particular case, as we consider that the action of the Board with regard to the particular by-law has been arbitrary and unfair.

We fail to see, even if we chose to advertise in any shape or form, what business it is either of yourself or the Board. The matter written or published in such advertisement might be your concern, but in this instance is not dealt with.

We think that having such evident solicitude for professional men, you might have inquired from us as to our intention and meaning before penning your observations and thus making the matter public.

With respect to the President's minute as published in the *China Mail*, we think it uncalled for; his allusion, however, to a "nostrum" is scarcely happy, as the decision of the case referred to was undoubtedly a very wholesome and corrective *medicine* to yourself and some members of the Board.—Yours truly,

LEIGH AND ORANGE.

CANTON NOTES.

[FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."]

A typhoon was experienced in Canton on the 29th July. The wind blew from the north-east and at about 7.30 p.m. the squalls were very severe. The creek behind Shameen was crowded with boats as a place of safety and a good many boats also took refuge in the East and West creeks. Large junks which had made preparations for the typhoon lay in sheltered places, so that very slight damage was done to them. A good many trees in Puntong were uprooted and five large trees in the garden of the Examination Hall were destroyed. Six houses inside the city collapsed. Some houses outside the East gate were unroofed and some were totally destroyed. Most of the matsheds inhabited by the boat-people in Chuk Wang-sa were swept down. A booth which had been erected in connection with a procession was blown down in Chu Wang-sa. A wooden structure in Honam which was built for the purpose of a theatrical performance was totally destroyed. Nearly all the matsheds in Honam near the bank were torn away. On the morning of the 30th ult. the streets of Canton and Honam near the river were flooded with water to the height of one to two feet. The tide did not ebb till 10 a.m. It is reported that Fatshan and Chantsun also experienced a typhoon on the same day.

Ku-lai-ching, a weiyuen sent from Kwangsi by the Governor to get shares taken up in an enterprise for the opening of the mines throughout the province, will leave Canton for the said province in a few days, and it is said he has raised a large amount of capital.

H. E. Wo Ta-lung, Taotai of Tientsin, arrived at Canton the other day and went to pay his respects to the Viceroy and the Governor.

A Sub-Prefect of Tai-ping, in Kiu-chow district, was attacked by a band of about ten robbers. The robbers went into the yamen under the pretence of presenting a petition, so that the yamen runners did not prevent them from entering. The Sub-Prefect was just at the time sitting on the bench. The robbers rushed up to him and one of them pointed a revolver at him and asked him where his valuables were. The officer was greatly frightened and said he had only eight hundred taels in the back room. The robbers then escorted the officer to the back room, where they took the money and all the other valuables, and then left the yamen, taking the officer with them as hostage. They did not let him go till they got far beyond the reach of the policemen.

The insurrection which, as lately reported, broke out in Funshan district, in the prefecture of Chin-chow, has become greater in force. The people of fifty-two villages have joined in the movement. The local Magistrate has hired soldiers himself to meet the attack. It is said that the Canton Government will send a general with several hundred soldiers to the place in a day or two.

A few days ago a monastery named King-ling, in Fatshan, was stoned by the people. In the monastery lived two monks who were accused by the people of compelling the women who went there to worship to submit to their outrageous wishes. The local officers sent some policemen to drive the people away and the two monks were arrested. The prisoners were tried by the Magistrate of Namhoi and were discharged on proof of their innocence.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLEANY.

The remarkable view was expressed by Graham in 1863 that the three conditions of matter—liquid, solid, and gaseous—probably always exist in every liquid or solid substance, but that one predominates over the others. Spring—in 1886 proved that alloys may be formed by the strong compression of the finely divided constituent metals, at ordinary temperature, and in 1894 that the solid metals may be made to unite by pressure at temperatures considerably below their melting points. Continuing the experiments, Prof. Roberts-Austen has placed a solid cylinder of lead three inches long on a base of gold or gold-lead alloy, keeping them first at a temperature of 251 deg.—or 75 deg. below the melting point of lead—for 31 days. On cutting up the lead, a certain amount of gold in each section could be found. More surprising still, it was then discovered that the gold will penetrate to the top of the cylinder in appreciable quantity in three days at a temperature of 100 degrees, and there is evidence that slow diffusion of gold in lead occurs at the ordinary temperature. There is also reason to believe that gold would diffuse in silver and copper in a similar manner. The passage of solid carbon into iron, a phenomenon long familiar to the steel-maker is shown by Prof. Roberts-Austen's researches to be really comparable with a diffusion of salts in water, and it obeys the same laws.

The liability of trees to be struck by lightning was not long ago found by Jonescu, a German investigator, to depend less on the soil and height of the trees than on the nature of the latter, those containing oils being rarely struck, while those with much starch are extremely liable to it. A continuation of the researches shows that season has much influence—many trees containing oils in spring and starch in fall, or the reverse.

A vegetable meat of Japan, called "torfu," is said to consist mainly of protein of the soya bean, and to be as nutritious and digestible as meat. It is sold in tablets; is white as snow, and tastes like fresh malt.

Seekers after new fads will hasten to imitate the phosphorescent tea party which was given in Paris at eight o'clock on a recent evening. There were no lights of the ordinary kinds, but ceiling, chairs, pictures, teacups, and flowers were aglow with phosphorescence, produced by a phosphorescent starch just invented by M. Henry of the Academy of Sciences. The material may be used as a face powder, and the faces, arms, and shoulders of the ladies—as well as their dresses—shone brightly.

A case is reported in England by Dr. Hind in which bleeding caused by extracting a tooth from a girl twenty years old continued ten hours in spite of the usual remedies. It was then quickly stopped by freezing with ethyl chloride spray, and recurrence was prevented by plugging the socket with wool soaked in tincture of hamamelis.

With the hope of raising the moral tone of convicts, as well as making their life less monotonous, the directors of English prisons are arranging for the early commencement of periodical lectures on scientific and interesting subjects.

The quietness of water in a storage reservoir is far more destructive to bacteria than the most violent agitation, according to a Royal Institution lecture by Prof. E. Frankland. The microbes sent into the Niagara at Buffalo suffer little from the turbulent passage over the cataract, but soon almost entirely disappear in Lake Ontario. The storage of water of the Thames and Lea by London water companies for thirteen to fifteen days reduces the number of microbes to one-fifth of the original amount.

Improved hygiene and sanitation have reduced the death-rate in the German army from 6.9 per thousand in 1870 to 2.4 in 1894. During the Franco-German war, the French lost 23,400 men from small-pox, while the Germans, who had strictly enforced vaccination for thirty years, lost only 300 men from this disease. Since 1873 only two soldiers have died from small-pox in the German army.

A piece of pianoforte wire recently tested at the Watertown arsenal showed the extraordinary strength of 206 tons per square inch. The wire was one-twelfth of an inch in diameter; larger sizes gave a tensile strength of 135 tons and upward per square inch. The metal contained 0.85 per cent. of combined carbon.

Verdi has just deposited in the Bank at Milan a sum representing roughly in English money £16,000, towards the first cost of the new Verdi "House of Repose" for aged and destitute musicians and operatic librettists.

Among Lord Kelvin's achievements, his tenure of a University professorship for fifty years is itself not the least remarkable. No doubt it is partly due to Glasgow's having a fondness for catching its professors young. Still, even at Glasgow, in the course of four and a half centuries, only two other professors have held their chairs for fifty years. Of the professors whom Lord Kelvin found at Glasgow in 1846—and some of them had been there for a very short time—the last disappeared in 1877. Of the professors now at Glasgow, the one of longest standing after Lord Kelvin was not appointed till 1862.

The metals now known to be capable of combining with argon at a red heat include magnesium, lithium, barium, aluminum, zinc, iron, and copper. Barium rapidly absorbs nitrogen, and its use has been suggested as a ready means of separating argon from air.

A new German substitute for glass paper is called "steel wool," and consists of threads of shredded steel having sharp cutting edges. Among the advantages claimed are that it cuts more quickly and uniformly than sandpaper, that it does not gum or clog, and that its flexibility adapts it for smoothing elaborate carvings and other uneven surfaces.

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THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic* with the American mail of the 2nd July, arrived yesterday. The following telegrams are from our San Francisco files:—

LADY BROOKE NOW A WRECK.

London, 28th June.

Every American newspaper reader doubtless thinks that the once beautiful Countess Warwick, formerly Lady Brooke, is a woman devoted only to the most frivolous pursuits of life. Most people know only of her in connection with the Tranby Croft baccarat scandal, and of certain widely discussed facts which universal report says prevent her acquaintance with the Princess of Wales. To that degree, indeed, Her Royal Highness conspicuously absented herself from this year's drawing-room when the Countess was presented.

The Countess has, in fact, attempted more than the most robust and energetic of men would dare do. Shortly before Christmas she arrived on a visit at her country-house at 8 o'clock at night. Having hunted all day, she retired to rest at 1.30 a.m. and was up again at 8.30 and off to a meet. She hunted throughout the winter six days a week when hunting was possible, while at least five evenings in the week she had either public or social engagements, which she rigorously fulfilled. Besides being a poor law guardian for her district, she is an active member of every Tory organization and is prominently identified with every philanthropic undertaking in her own county of Warwickshire.

She is now for the time a complete wreck. Her nervous system is shattered and she is suffering from insomnia and abject depression. All are the direct consequences of mental and physical strain. She is not expected to be able to reappear in society until next season.

HERR KRUPP MAKING A BID FOR THE TRADE OF CHINA.

Essen, 29th June.

A statue of Li Hung-chang was unveiled to-day at the Villa Huegel belonging to Herr Krupp, who made a speech, dwelling upon the cordial relations existing between Germany and China. Li Hung-chang afterward inspected the great gun factory and other buildings of the famous Essen works.

PRUSSIA AND BAVARIA RECONCILED.

Kiel, 29th June.

The Emperor to-day received Prince Ludwig, heir apparent to the throne of Bavaria, on board the Imperial yacht *Hohenzollern*. Prince Henry of Prussia was present, and mutual explanations were made concerning the unpleasant incident which occurred at the Moscow banquet on the occasion of the coronation of the Czar, when Prince Ludwig resented the chairman's allusion to himself and his fellow South German princes as members of Prince Henry's suite, and declared he himself was an independent Bavarian prince and an ally, not a vassal, of the German empire. It is understood that complete harmony was restored between Princes Henry and Ludwig and the Kaiser.

New York, 29th June.

The *Herald* says in reference to the above:—In connection with the reconciliation which, as described in the foregoing despatch, has taken place between Prussia and Bavaria, it is interesting to recall the fact that Munich particularists have issued a memorial medal to perpetuate the speech delivered by Prince Ludwig of Bavaria at the Moscow banquet. The medal bears in relief the words used by Prince Ludwig: "We are allies, but not vassals."

PLEADING FOR RHODES.

Buluwayo, 30th July.

The Chambers of Mines and Commerce are organizing a mass meeting here to petition the British South Africa Company to reinstate Cecil Rhodes, whose resignation was accepted last week.

A BRIMSTONE TRUST FORMED.

New York, 30th June.

Consumers of a hundred and one necessities of life in which brimstone is a part must be prepared to pay an advance on present prices. This is because certain foreign capitalists have organized a brimstone trust, the modest object of which is to control the brimstone market of the world. Although the new trust will not go into full effect until August 1st, its influence has already boomed prices in this country from $14.50 to $18.50 per ton.

Sicily is the storehouse of brimstone for the world. The annual shipments to the United States alone are close to 400,000 tons, and profits under pressure of keen competition have been small. Alexander Malcolm Chase, an English millionaire and sulphur magnate, with Baron Robert Oppenheim and others, saw a golden opportunity to realize millions by a combination of Sicilian mines. Acting promptly, these gentlemen secured options on many of the larger brimstone plants and took the island mine owners as a body into their confidence. The result is that already 95 per cent of the mines are pledged under a signed agreement to the trust for a period of five years.

LEPERS IN PARIS: IMPORTANT DISCOVERIES MADE IN TREATING THE DISEASE.

London, 1st July.

The discovery recently of a leper wandering homeless in the streets of Paris has been followed by the announcement that fully 100 sufferers of the loathsome disease are at large among the poor of the French capital.

Coupled with this news comes a somewhat reassuring statement to the Academy of Science yesterday by Dr. Outfe that he had succeeded in curing severe cases of leprosy. He had been struck with the results obtained by the aid of graduated organic injections in cases of eczema and psoriasis. The doctor sought to modify the condition of the nervous system by strengthening without exciting it, and soon noticed the correctness of his conception. He also studied by means of a new technical process the conditions of the blood of leprous patients, and succeeded in demonstrating the presence of the bacilius of leprosy, which had never before been discovered elsewhere than in leprous tubercles.

PLAN TO EXCLUDE CHINESE FROM CANADA.

Vancouver (B. C.), 1st July.

Through agitation in British Columbia it is probable that Mongolians may be excluded from Canada altogether in the near future by some such act as the Geary law of the United States. In British Columbia Mongolians have been interfering so seriously with white labour that the patience of the working classes is exhausted, and an anti-Chinese agitation culminated this week in two indignation mass meetings of citizens to devise means to put a stop to immigration of Chinese.

The result was that a monster petition, signed by British Columbians, will be sent to the Federal Government praying that the tax per head be increased from $50 to $500 for every Chinese entering Canada. All of the British Columbia Government members are pledged to fight for it, and Laurier, the new Liberal leader of Canada, says his policy for British Columbia will be the policy of the British Columbia Liberals. The British Columbia Conservatives, too, favour the "excluding tax for Mongolians."

THE BICYCLE CRAZE IN FRANCE.

London, 28th June.

Recent facts and figures from all parts of Europe prove that the bicycle craze has now become universal. The increase in France, where exact returns are collected, is typical. Three years ago, when the tax on bicycles was first levied, the number in the country was 120,000. Last year the total was exactly doubled. When the estimates for 1896 were drawn up the financial officials deemed themselves justified in the calculation that there would be 40,000 additional bicycles. It turns out that their sanguine hope is considerably short of the mark. The total this year is 322,000, or 200,000 more than the number in 1893.

The most amusing journalistic situation on the face of the globe at present is (the *Star* says) to be found at Cooktown, in the far north of Queensland. Cooktown has two papers, and they are edited by father and son. James Fowler, sen., runs the *Independent* and James Fowler, jun., conducts the *Beacon*. Notwithstanding the intimate relationship, the two editors are at daggers drawn. They represent opposing schools of political thought, and are perpetually nagging at each other. The latest issue of the *Independent* contains the following dignified paternal rebuke to the unfilial editor of the other paper:—"The cock-a-doodle-doo youth who runs the *Beacon* fancies that under empty pretentiousness he can disguise his gross ignorance and inexperience of journalism and politics, and under that impression he has the profound cheek to lecture and hector those who know something about both. His vicious abuse of us will be regarded by the few sensible persons who read his rag as a mere youthful exuberance of inexperience and indiscretion."

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Phra Chom Klao*, from Bangkok 22nd July, and Hoihow 30th, had fresh S.W. winds in the Gulf of Siam; thence to Cape Padaran light variable winds; thence to port strong winds and high seas.

The British steamer *Monmouthshire*, from Mororan via Kobe 19th July, had moderate to light breeze and fine clear weather to Turnabout; thence very unsettled weather, wind S.S.E., sky overcast and oppressive and heavy swell.

The British steamer *Gaelic*, from San Francisco 2nd July, Honolulu 10th, Yokohama 24th, and Nagasaki 27th, had variable winds and fine weather; thence to Turnabout strong southerly gale and high sea; thence to port moderate southerly wind with heavy swell.

The British steamer *Taiwan*, from Shanghai 25th July, and Swatow 29th, had moderate easterly wind from Shanghai to Swatow; strong winds with heavy squalls from E.N.E. at Swatow on 29th inst. Light S.E. winds with high confused sea from Swatow to port.

The British steamer *City of Dublin*, from Singapore 23rd July, encountered heavy typhoon with terrific squalls, decks swept continually by heavy seas, within 60 miles from port. July 25th spoke 4-masted barque (name unknown) steering north. July 26th spoke *J. H. Walker*, in lat. 10.36 N., long. 110.32 E., steering north.

The British steamer *Hupeh*, from Singapore 23rd July, had strong S.W. monsoon until lat. 18 N., which died away and afterwards came from northwards. At 4 a.m. 29th, glass falling. Hove ship to. Wind freshened to hard gale with fierce squalls, very high confused sea. 29th 4 a.m., glass rising and wind moderating, proceeded towards Hongkong. Strong southerly winds and high sea to port.

The British steamer *Memnon*, from Sandakan 21st July, had fresh winds and unsettled weather up the Sulu Sea: experienced a typhoon to the northward of Palawan Island, ran back and anchored for two days off Dumarin Island; afterwards unsettled weather with falling barometer. Encountered another typhoon in the China Sea, on the 28th ran back south; thence to port strong southerly gale with high sea. Lowest reading Bar. 29.43.

EXPORT CARGOES.

The German steamer *Oceana*, sailed on the 25th July. From Hongkong for Havre:—1 case silk, 6 packages human hair, 8 cases feathers, 400 bales bamboo scraps, 2 cases bristles, 8 rolls matting and 10 cases paper. For Havre option Hamburg:—328 boxes camphor, 35 cases paper, 3 bales human hair, 23 cases blackwood-ware, 1 case silk and 45 bales canes. For Havre option Hamburg option London:—182 cases bristles, 1,502 boxes camphor, 75 bales canes, 50 bales split bamboo, 10 cases cassia buds and 4 packages samples. For Havre and/or Hamburg and/or Antwerp:—225 bales feathers. For Hamburg:—1,700 cases cassia, 85 packages firecrackers, 279 bales duck feathers, 35 cases bristles, 550 boxes camphor, 3 cases silks, 4 cases human hair, 25 bales rattan shavings, 10 packages rattanware, 107 rolls matting, 12 cases teasticks, 30 cases fans, 21 cases Chinaware, 45 packages canes, 23 packages sundries and 4 packages tea. For Hamburg option London:—10 casks ginger and 40 cases ginger. For Bremen:—500 cases tea. For Copenhagen:—4 crates rattan furniture. For New York:—20 cases essential oil.

The P. & O. steamer *Pekin*, sailed on the 30th July. For Glasgow:—1 case cigars, from Manila. For London:—38 cases Chinaware, 9 cases silk piece goods, 75 bales raw silk and 520 boxes tea (10,920 lbs. congou). For France:—365 bales raw silk. For Milan:—30 bales raw silk. For Trieste:—300 packages tea.

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14.—Club, Hongkong	118.—Marty, A. R.
153.—Commercial Union Assurance Co., Ld.	112.—Melchers & Co.
78.—Cousins, J. D.	35.—Mount Austin Hotel
12.—"Daily Press" Office	131.—Meyer & Co.
85.—Dairy Farm, Office	125.—Nam Tai Hong
67.—Dairy Farm Pok'lum	5.—Nam Wo & Co.
121.—Danby, W.	146.—National Bank
73.—David, A. J., Res.	110.—Naval Hospital
60.—David & Co., S. J.	109.—Naval Yard
123.—Detective Dept. (Chinese)	56.—New Victoria Hotel
25.—Dock, Aberdeen	119.—Opium Factory
20.—Dock Company	46.—Opium Farm
41.—Dodwell Carlill & Co.	19.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
58.—Electric Company	69.—Do. Mess, Peak
136.—Edye, Surg.-Capt., Res.	147.—Playfair, G. W. F. Residence
58A.—Electric Co., Res.	15.—Police Station Cal.
142.—Fenwick, Geo. & Co.	10.—Peak Club
74.—Fletcher & Co.	29.—Peak Hotel
135.—Gande, Price & Co.	34.—Ray, E. C., Res.
132.—Garrels, J. H., Res.	51.—Ray & Davies
48.—Gas Coy. East Point	30.—Ritchie, H. A., Res.
47.—Do. West Point	19A.—Ritchie, H. A., Office
150.—Gaupp & Co.	103.—Royal Engineer Guard Room
127.—Gerlach Dr., Res.	104.—R. E. Mess
31.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.	140.—Reuter, Brockelmann & Co.
6.—Godown Co., Office	45.—Rope Factory
21.—Godown, Kerosine	13.—Sachse, P., Res.
7.—Godown, Kowloon	52.—Sailors' Home
33.—Godown, West Point	4.—Sanitarium, Pok'lum
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99.—Harling Boschmann & Menzel	81.—Siemssen & Co.
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29A.—Harrison, W. S., Res.	100.—Sperry Flour Co.
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2.—Hartigan, Stedman and Rennie, Drs.	61.—Stevens, G. R. Office
95.—Haskell, D., Res.	62.—Stevens, G. R., Res.
92.—Hermann, C., Res.	53.—Sui Kut Bank
113.—Him Kee & Co.	14.—Telegraph Cos.
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102.—H. C. & M. Steamboat Co., Wharf	138.—Tong Lee Chan, Sau-ki-wan
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84.—Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, Mess	93.—Tung Kee
1.—"H. Telegraph"	16.—Watson & Co., A. S.
126A.—Hongkong Fire Insurance Co.	76.—Whiley, W., Res.
	57.—Wickham, W. H., Res.
	144.—Wing Kee & Co., Office
	145.—Wing Kee & Co. Godown
	63.—Wo Kee & Co.
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	79.—Yeung Lam Kee.

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THE Undersigned have received Instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at No. 76, BRASS BASSA ROAD, on FRIDAY, the 7th AUGUST, 1896, at 2 P.M. In one lot:—All that valuable leasehold land, with the house and buildings erected thereon, known as Municipal No. 76, Brass Bassa Road, Singapore.

Together with the plant and fixed machinery lately used by Messrs. GOWANS, ALEXANDER & Co., in the Aerated Water Factory.

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CRANE BROS.,
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Singapore, 15th July, 1896. [1717

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SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA,
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Hongkong, 11th April, 1883. [1427

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

MR. JOHANN GEORG LUDWIG SCHRÖTER and Mr. HERMANN FRIEDRICH GEORG BÖRNER have been admitted PARTNERS in our Firms from the 1st JULY, 1896.
MEYER & CO., Hongkong.
MEYER LEMKE & CO., Shanghai.
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1896. [1532

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day commenced Business as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
W. SHEWAN.
Hongkong, 20th July, 1896. [1657

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing under the Firm Name of WARNER, BLODGETT & Co. expired by limitation on 30th ultimo, Mr. EARLE WALTER BLODGETT retiring and his interest and responsibility CEASING on that date.

The Business will be continued by the surviving Partners, Mr. EDWIN HEATH WARNER and Mr. CHARLES ILDERTON BARNES, under the Firm Name and Title of WARNER, BARNES & Co.

Mr. RICHARD E. BARRETTO has been authorized to Sign the Firm.

Manila, 15th July, 1896. [1715

NOTICE.

THE Interest of Mr. H. J. J. CHAMBERS in our Firm ceased on the 30th April last.
JOHN GITTINS & CO.
Foochow, 24th July, 1896. [1743

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL $10,000,000
RESERVE FUND ....$ 5,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS $10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. [12

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED ....£ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
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H. STOLTERFOHT, Esq. | KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.
CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq.

Chief Manager.
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 Months Fixed ......5 %.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1893. [14

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID UP ....£ 562,500

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 months ....4 %
„ 6 „ 3½%
„ 3 „ 2½%
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 8th July, 1896. [15

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [13

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP..................£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND..................£350,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months ... 4 per cent.
„ „ „ 6 „ 3½ „
„ „ „ 3 „ 2½ „
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [16

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LARGE ROOM on SECOND FLOOR of 18, PRAYA CENTRAL. Very suitable for an Office.
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Hongkong, 18th July, 1896. [1636

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Apply to
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Hongkong, 31st July, 1896. [1742

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LARGE GODOWN on KOWLOON PRAYA, suitable for the storage of General Cargo or Coal.
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GLENEALY BUILDINGS.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [1582

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COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board.
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1892.

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NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1895, £12,433,131 0s. 0d.

I.—AUTHORISED CAPITAL...£3,000,000 £ s. d.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL..................687,500 0 0
II.—FIRE FUNDS..................2,601,016 2 9

The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd July, 1896. [1526

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are PREPARED TO ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.
SIEMSSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1895. [19

PHŒNIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.
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Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [20

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A yearly premium of £28 12s. (age 30) secures the following:—
£2,000 in case of death by accident.
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Accidents insured against for £4 and £2 per annum (£1,000 in case of death and weekly payments in case of injury.)

For further Particulars, apply to
J. Y. V. VERNON,
Agent.
Hongkong, 18th June, 1896. [1432

THE AUSTRALIAN ALLIANCE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL..................£125,000
RESERVE FUND..................£110,000

The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above COMPANY are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
For Further Particulars, apply to
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Agents.
Hongkong, 9th July, 1896. [728

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON

FOUNDED 1710.

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SIEMSSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [18

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
SIEMSSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [17

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

CAPITAL..................£2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY £2,480,053
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIA..................£ 757,478

Having been appointed Agents of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at current rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [858

EMPRESS ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED.

FIRE AND MARINE.

We have This Day been appointed AGENTS and are prepared to accept Risks at CURRENT RATES.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1896. [1052

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(NOW MERGED IN THE ROYAL)
INSURANCE COMPANY.

FIRE & LIFE.

TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS £8,274,020
ANNUAL INCOME 2,750,000

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Hongkong, 10th July, 1896. [1503

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1892. [288

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CHAMPAGNE GROWERS AND SHIPPERS.
Ship only the Finest Quality
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Hongkong, 17th May, 1895. [1206

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CHAS. HEIDSIECK'S CHAMPAGNE, 1889, WHITE SEAL.
$30..................per case of 1 dozen quarts.
$32..................per case of 2 dozen pints.
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [31

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PURVEYORS TO THE IMPERIAL AND ROYAL COURT AT BERLIN AND TO THE IMPERIAL COURT OF RUSSIA.
MONOPOLE RED SEAL (medium dry).
Do. "803" RED FOIL } (dry).
Do. GOLD FOIL }
DRY Do. do. (extra dry).
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Sole Agents
For Hongkong, China, and Japan.
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COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
FRIDAY, 31st July.

EXCHANGE

ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer 2/2¼
Bank Bills, on demand 2/2¼
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2/2⅜
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/2⅝
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/2⅝
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2/3
ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand 2.78½
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2.82½
ON GERMANY.—
On demand 2.25
ON NEW YORK.—
Bank Bills, on demand 53¼
Credits, 60 days' sight 55¼
ON BOMBAY.—
Telegraphic Transfer 186¼
Bank, on demand 186½
ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer 186¼
Bank, on demand 186½
ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, at sight 72¾
Private, 30 days' sight 73¼
ON YOKOHAMA.—
On demand ....½% pm.
ON MANILA.—
On demand ....16% pm.
ON SINGAPORE.—
On demand ....½% pm.
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate 8.90
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 46.80

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COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Banks—		
Hongkong & S'hai	$125	191 p. ct. prem.=[$363.75, sales
China & Japan, prf.	£5	nominal
Do. ordinary	£2	nominal
Do. deferred	£1	£2, buyers
Natl. Bank of China B. Shares	£8	$20, sellers
Foun. Shares	£1	$100
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	15s.	$7, sellers
Brown & Co., H. G.	$50	$6, sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co.	$10	$6
Carmichael & Co.	$20	$8
China Sugar	$100	$106, buyers
Dakin, Cruickshank & Co.	$5	$1, buyers
Dairy Farm Co.	$10	$5
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	$25	$27, sellers
Green Island Cement	$10	$17½
H. & C. Bakery	$50	$30
Hongkong & C. Gas	£10	$110, buyers
Hongkong Electric	$8	$6.75, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	$100	$96
Hongkong Hotel	$50	$28½
Hongkong Ice	$25	$106, ex. div.
H. & K. Wharf & G.	$50	$53½, buyers
Hongkong Rope	$50	$126, sellers
H. & W. Dock	$125	191 p. c. prem.=[$363.75, sal. & b.
Insurances—		
Canton	$50	$200, sellers
China Fire	$20	$95, sales
China Traders'	$25	$78½, sales
Hongkong Fire	$50	$331, buyers
North-China	£25	Tls. 195, sellers
Straits	$20	$27, sellers
Union	$50	$235, sellers
Yangtsze	$60	$146½, sales
Land and Building—		
H. Land Investment	$50	$73, sales & buyers
Humphreys Estate	$10	$9, sellers
Kowloon Land & B.	$30	$17
West Point Building	$40	$18
Luzon Sugar	$100	$67, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fcs. 500	72½
Jelebu	$5	$2.90
New Balmoral	$3	$2.50, sellers
Oliver's Mines, A.	$5	$7, sellers
Do. B.	$2½	$3.50, sellers
Punjom	$4	$14.25, sales
Do. (Preference)	$1	$3.70, sales
Raubs	18s. 10d.	$5.35
Steamship Coys.—		
China and Manila	$50	$73, sellers
China Mutual	£5	£3, sellers
Do. Pref.	£10	£8.10, sales & sellers
Douglas S. S. Co.	$50	$65.50, sales
H., Canton and M.	$15	$34, sales & sellers
Indo-China S. N.	£10	$53½, sales
Wanchai Warch'se Co.	$37½	$46
Watson & Co., A. S.	$10	$12.50, sales

CHATER & VERNON, Share Brokers.

OPIUM.

		Allowance.
New Malwa nom.	$730	1½ to 3 catties.
Old Malwa, 2/5 years	$750	0 to 2½ „
Malwa Older 6/10 years	$760	0 to 1½ „

New Patna ....$700 ; Old Patna $712½
New Benares ....$712½ ; Old Benares, nom. $730
Persian, Oily ....$550 to $590
Persian, Paper-wrapped ....$560 to $645
Sales:—40 chests New Patna and 40 chests Old Patna.

THE WEATHER.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 30TH JULY, AT 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Tokyo	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Kochi	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Kagoshima	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Shanghai	29.75	95	75	SW	3	b	...
Sharp Peak	29.83	83	66	S	2	c	...
Amoy	29.82	85	—	SE	4	qr	...
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Canton	29.76	84	83	SE	7	o	...
Hongkong	29.72	81	88	SE	3	odq	...
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Gap Rock	29.72	—	—	SE	4	—	...
Macao	29.68	82	83	S	2	o	...
Haiphong	29.82	87	76	SW	2	c	...
Bolinao	29.85	81	78	SSE	2	o	...
Manila	29.89	84	72	WSW	2	c	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	SW	6	o	...
31ST JULY, AT 10 A.M.							
Wladivostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Tokyo	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Kochi	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Kagoshima	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Shanghai	29.79	90	71	SW	2	c	...
Sharp Peak	29.92	86	68	SW	1	b	...
Amoy	29.88	83	83	SE	2	—	0.04
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Canton	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Hongkong	29.87	83	87	SE	5	oq	0.07
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Gap Rock	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Macao	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Haiphong	29.58	78	89	SE	1	c	...
Bolinao	29.91	87	80	ESE	1	b	...
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	—	3	—	...

On the 30th at 3.10 p.m. Black Ball lowered. On the 31st at 11.15 a.m. In Hongkong pressure now exceeds the normal by .01 inch, the mercury having continued to rise rapidly during the past 24 hours. Gradients are rather steep between Hongkong and the Gulf of Tonkin, the barometer in the latter district, although rising, being still comparatively low. Forecast:—Moderate SE. winds; squally and showery. Telegraphic communication between the Observatory and Hongkong remains interrupted.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.72	29.87	29.89
Temperature	82	83	83
Humidity	88	87	87
Direction of wind	SE.	SE.	ESE.
Force	3	5	2
Weather	odq	oq	o
Rain	...	0.07	...

Highest open air temperature on the 30th..................82
Lowest open air temperature on the 30th..................78
F. G. FIGG, First Assistant.
Hongkong Observatory, 31st July, 1896.

MESSRS. FALCONER & Co.'s REGISTER, 31st July.
Barometer 9 A.M...29.84 Therm. 9 A.M. (Wet bulb) 79
Barometer 1 P.M...29.82 Therm. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb) 79
Barometer 4 P.M...29.80 Therm. 4 P.M. (Wet bulb) 79
Thermom. 9 A.M...83 Therm. Maximum 84
Thermom. 1 P.M...84 Therm. Minimum (over)
Thermom. 4 P.M...84 night)..........82

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

1st to 7th August.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	High Water. Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water. Height.
Sat.	1	h. m. m 1 4 / 0 27 a	ft. in. 3 0 / 2 2	h. m. m 7 23 / 6 53 a	ft. in. 1 8 / 0 8
Sun.	2	m 1 37 / 1 20 a	3 3 / 3 2	m 8 53 / 9 33 a	1 2 / 0 6
Mon.	3	m 1 20 a / No inferior	3 0 / high-	m 11 18 / nor low.	0 11 / water.
Tues.	4	m 3 16 / No inferior	[illegible] / high-	0 21 a / nor low.	[illegible] / water.
Wed.	5	m 4 27 / No inferior	4 3 / high-	1 8 a / nor low.	–0 7 / water.
Thur.	6	m 5 29 / No inferior	4 8 / high-	1 23 a / nor low.	–1 2 / water.
Fri.	7	m 6 28 / 1 10	5 2 / [illegible]	2 2 a / [illegible]	[illegible]

The height of mean sea-level has been determined, from the tidal observations of 1887 and 1888, as 5.87 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Kowloon Tidal Observatory; and the Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are referred, as 3.87 feet above zero.

The heights in the Tables marked with a minus sign (—) are below Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and should be subtracted from the constant given above.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Saghalien*, with the French mail of the 3rd ultimo, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 28th ultimo, at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 4th instant. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 27th May.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer *City of Peking*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 11th ultimo.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Yokohama at 7 p.m. on Sunday and left at 2 p.m. on Monday for Hongkong via Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Lightning*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 28th ultimo.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Rickmers steamer *Elizabeth Rickmers*, from Middlesbro, Antwerp and Hamburg, passed the Canal on the 7th ultimo, and may be considered due here on or about the 7th instant.

The N. P. steamer *Braemar* left Victoria, B.C., on the 15th ultimo for this port via usual ports of call.

The P. & O. steamer *Brindisi* left Singapore for this port on the 30th ultimo.

The N. Y. K. chartered steamer *Kirkhill*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 26th ult., and may be expected here on or about the 1st instant.

The Mutual steamer *Oopack*, from Glasgow, Liverpool and Newport, left Singapore for this port on the 28th ultimo, and may be expected here on or about the 3rd instant.

The D. D. R. steamer *Frigga*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 29th ultimo, and may be expected here on or about the 3rd instant.

The O.S.S. Co.'s new steamer *Patroclus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 29th ultimo, and is due here on or about Monday, the 3rd instant.

The O.S.S. Co.'s steamer *Nestor*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 31st ultimo and is due here on or about the 6th instant.

PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD—26th June—*Malacca*, *Teenkai*. 30th June—*Palinurus*. 3rd July—*Cowrie*, *Tosa Maru*. 7th July—*Flintshire*, *Elizabeth Rickmers*. 10th July—*Shanghai*. 14th July—*Aglaia*, *Glenavon*, *Ghazee*. 17th July—*Oolong*, *Sydney*, *Teucer*. *Dardanus*, *Leander*. 21st July—*Kreimhild*, *Agapanthus*. 24th July—*Canton*. 28th July—*Hennoirtich*, *Glaucus*.

HOMEWARD—24th July—*Caledonien*, *Hyson*. 28th July—*Benledi*, *Dordogne*.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

☞ The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

PEAK DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Cars by 12 and 3.30 o'clock Trams. Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

The Postal Guide for 1896, revised to date will be found in the *Chronicle and Directory* P. XIX. This is the only authorised complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Hoihow.—Per *Phranang*, to-day, the 1st inst., at 9.30 A.M.

For Singapore, Port Natal, East London, Port Elizabeth, Mossel Bay and Cape Town.—Per *Congella*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Swatow and Amoy.—Per *Tetartos*, to-day, the 1st inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Hoihow and Pakhoi.—Per *Ask*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Manila.—Per *Yuensang*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per *Chelydra*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Kobe.—Per *Onsang*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Singapore, Penang and Bombay.—Per *Bisagno*, to-day, the 1st inst., at 4.30 P.M.

For Amoy, Foochow, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma, Wash.—Per *Olympia*, to-day, the 1st inst., at 5.00 P.M.

For Bangkok.—Per *Mongkut*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Yokohama and Kobe.—Per *Taiyuan*, on Monday, the 3rd inst., at 2.30 P.M.

For Tientsin.—Per *Nanchang*, on Tuesday, the 4th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.—Per *Chingtu*, on Friday, the 14th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *City of Rio de Janeiro* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 1st inst., with mails for Amoy, Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra postage until time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Mirzapore* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 13th inst., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.
LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) with 10 cents late fee up to 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may be sent on board with the same late fee.

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA
No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Head Office:—TOKIO.
Branch Offices:—LONDON, NEW YORK, BOMBAY, SINGAPORE, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, NEWCHWANG, and all Ports in JAPAN.
AGENCIES:—
Miike Coal Mines.
Ohnoura Coal Mines.
Kanada Coal Mines.
Tokyo Marine Insurance Co., Limited.
Meiji Fire Insurance Co., Limited.
Waterbury Watch Co., Limited.
Imperial Government Paper Mills.
Cotton Cleaning and Working Co., Shanghai.
Onoda Cement Company, Japan.
Kanegafuchi Cotton Spinning Mill.
Tokyo Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan.
Hayashi Clock Factory.
Hongkong, 6th July, 1896. [2253

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY
AT
62, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
CHADWICK KEW,
(LATE OF POATE & NOBLE).
Hongkong, 6th March, 1896. [1415

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ALDERLEY, Brit. str., Nicholas—Chinese.
AMARAPOORA, Brit. str., Cameron—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
BALMORAL, Brit. str., McRitchie—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
GLEN CALADH, Brit. bk., Lamont—Gilman & Co.
GLENORCHY, Brit. str., W. Frakes—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
ISAAC REED, Amr. ship, Waldo—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
LYEEMOON, Ger. str., Heuermann—Siemssen & Co.
MACDUFF, Brit. str., Thomson—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.
PARAMITA, Amer. ship, Soule—Standard Oil Co.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.
(Florio and Rubattino United Companies.)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"BISAGNO"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, Wanchai, whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the office of the undersigned before Noon on the 8th August, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any goods remaining in the Godowns after the 2nd August will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1896. [6

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "SACHSEN."

THE above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th August will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd August, at 3 P.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 7th August, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th July, 1896. [7

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "TANTALUS" are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at ... Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 29th inst.

Goods undelivered after the 5th August will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 6th August.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1896. [1710

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"CROMARTY,"

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that the same is being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and/or landed from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd prox. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 3rd prox., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd prox., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th July, 1896. [1687

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO, EX O. S. S. CO.'S S.S. "TANTALUS," FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 3rd Aug., for shipment per steamer "PATROCLUS."
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th July, 1896. [1710

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PYRRHUS,"

Captain Batt, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 1st inst., at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1328

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHELYDRA,"

Captain R. Cass, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 1st August, at 4 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 30th July, 1896. [1713

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.
(FLORIO & RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES.)

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND BOMBAY,

having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN, and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA, and MALAGA.

THE Steamship

"BISAGNO,"

Captain Mancini, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 1st August, at 5 P.M.

At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th July, 1896. [6

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

FOR PACIFIC COAST, CANADA, AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE Steamship

"HUPEH"

will be despatched on or about WEDNESDAY, the 5th August, for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast, Canadian and United States Points.

For Particulars as to rates, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN,
General Agent.
Hongkong, 23rd July, 1896 [1688

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"

Captain W. Waddilove, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 3rd inst., at NOON, instead of as previously advertised.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1740

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

THE Steamship

"NANCHANG,"

Captain Finlayson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 4th August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1896. [1692

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAIGON.

THE Steamship

"WUHU,"

Captain Vaughan, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 4th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1711

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"

Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 4th inst., 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [1689

"RICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE, AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to RED SEA, MEDITERRANEAN, and BLACK SEA Ports.)

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA RICKMERS,"

Captain E. Berg, will be despatched as above, on THURSDAY, the 6th August.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 9th July, 1896. [1531

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896.
(Subject to Alteration.)

MONMOUTHSHIRE	Saturday	15th August.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE"

will be despatched hence for PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 15th August.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

The S.S. "MONMOUTHSHIRE" has superior accommodation for Saloon Passengers.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1896. [1670

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG. PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO, LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

SACHSEN	Tuesday	18th Aug.
BAYERN	Tuesday	15th Sept.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Tuesday	13th Oct.
PREUSSEN	Tuesday	10th Nov.
SACHSEN	Tuesday	8th Dec.
BAYERN	Tuesday	5th Jan.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Tuesday	2nd Feb.
PREUSSEN	Tuesday	2nd March.

ON TUESDAY, the 18th day of August, 1896, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain Süpmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 15th August, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY, the 17th August, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on MONDAY, the 17th August. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed at less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th July, 1896. [7

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

Under Management of the ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS
(Subject to Alterations)
JAVA, HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AMOY, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, JAVA.
From HONGKONG.

S.S. FEDERATION	To JAVA	August.
S.S. GERMANIA	To JAVA	Sept.
S.S. CASSIUS	To JAVA	Oct.
S.S. GERMANIA	To JAPAN	August.
S.S. CASSIUS	To JAPAN	Sept.
S.S. FEDERATION	To JAPAN	Oct.

General Agents for China and Japan,
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, 28th July, 1896. [544

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A.I. British Ship

"SOCOTRA,"

Rohde, Master, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
Hongkong, 3rd July, 1896. [1238

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, &c.	Mirzapore	Brit. str.	London, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
LONDON	Borneo	Brit. str.	Wibmer, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 20th inst.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Pyrrhus	Brit. str.	Batt	Butterfield & Swire	To-day, at 10 A.M.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Orestes	Brit. str.	Pulford	Butterfield & Swire	On 6th inst.
LONDON VIA MARSEILLES	Sunda	Brit. str.	Gordon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 6th inst.
LONDON & HAMBURG	Euplectela	Brit. str.	Morris	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	On 10th inst.
HAVRE & LONDON & ANTWERP	Bengloe	Brit. str.	Thomson	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	On or about 9th inst.
BREMEN & PORTS OF CALL	Sachsen	Ger. str.	Süpmer	Melchers & Co.	On 18th inst., at 9 A.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & H'BURG	Maria Rickmers	Ger. str.	Berg	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	On 6th inst.
MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON &c.	Ernest Simons	Fren. str.	Le Troadec	Messageries Maritimes	On 5th inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, v. SHANGHAI, &c.	Empress of China	Brit. str.	Archibald, R.N.R.	Canadian Pacific R. Co.	On 12th inst., at Noon.
VICTORIA & V'VER, B.C., v. N'SAKI	Hupeh	Brit. str.		Canadian Pacific R. Co.	On or about 5th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C. &c., v. Y'HAMA	Olympia	Brit. str.	Truebridge	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
PORTLAND, OREGON v. Y'HAMA	Monmouthshire	Brit. str.		Shewan Tomes, & Co.	On 15th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA Y'HAMA	Gaelic	Brit. str.		O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 8th inst., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA Y'HAMA	City of Rio de Janeiro	Amer. str.		P. M. S. S. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO	Socotra	Brit. ship	Rohde	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Strathnevis	Brit. str.	Pattie	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On or about 10th inst.
NEW YORK	Com. T. H. Allen	Amer. sh.	Merriman	Reuter Bröckelmann & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Manuel Llaguno	Amer. sh.	Small	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Charles E. Moody	Amer. sh.	Leonard	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
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BALTIMORE	Isaac Reed	Amer. sh.	Waldo	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Chingtu	Brit. str.	Innes	Butterfield & Swire	On 11th inst., at 3 P.M.
STRAITS & BOMBAY, &c.	Bisagno	Ita. str.	Mancini	Carlowitz & Co.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	Chelydra	Brit. str.	Cass	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
S'PORE, B'VIA, S'RANG & S'BAYA	Federation	Ger. str.		Lauts, Wegener & Co.	August.
SANDAKAN & KUDAT	Memnon	Brit. str.	Branch	Butterfield & Swire	On 6th inst., at 4 P.M.
SAIGON	Wuhu	Brit. str.	Vaughan	Butterfield & Swire	On 4th inst., at 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	Taiyuan	Brit. str.	Nelson	Butterfield & Swire	On 4th inst., at 3 P.M.
Y'HAMA v. S'HAI, N'SAKI & KOBE	Shanghai	Brit. str.	Cowie, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 7th inst.
SHANGHAI	Taiwan	Brit. str.	Benson	Butterfield & Swire	On 3rd inst., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	Patroclus	Brit. str.	Dickens	Butterfield & Swire	On 4th inst.
SHANGHAI	Rosetta	Brit. str.	Wright, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 8th inst.
TIENTSIN	Nanchang	Brit. str.	Finlayson	Butterfield & Swire	On 4th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI	Haimun	Brit. str.	Bathurst	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 4th inst., at Noon.
SWATOW, AMOY, FOOCHOW	Haitan	Brit. str.	Roach	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 5th inst., at Noon.
MANILA (DIRECT)	Yuensang	Brit. str.	Waddilove	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On 3rd inst., at Noon.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON v. MARSEILLES	SUNDA, E. H. Gordon	About 6th August.	Freight or Passage.
YOKOHAMA via S'HAI, NAGASAKI & KOBE	SHANGHAI, J. Cowie, R.N.R.	About 7th August.	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
SHANGHAI	ROSETTA, G. K. Wright, R.N.R.	About 8th August.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	MIRZAPORE, J. R. London, R.N.R.	Noon, 13th August.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON	BORNEO, L. M. Wibmer, R.N.R.	About 20th August.	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1896.

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Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots

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THE magnificent Steamships of the Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder Street.
Hongkong, 23rd July, 1896. [8

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON, AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"BENGLOE,"

Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above on or about the 9th August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th July, 1896. [1725

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTU,"

Captain Innes, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 11th August, at 3 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

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Hongkong, 29th July, 1896. [1726

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON.

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THE Steamship

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Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1896. [1

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 100 A.I. American Ship

"PAUL REVERE,"

Mullin, Master, shortly expected from Shanghai, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.
Hongkong, 25th July, 1896. [1639

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(Subject to Alteration).

OLYMPIA	2,608	Saturday	Aug. 1.
BRAEMAR	3,591	Sunday	Aug. 16.
TACOMA	2,549	Thursday	Sept. 3.
VICTORIA	3,167	Monday	Sept. 21.
OLYMPIA	2,608	Friday	Oct. 9.
COLUMBIA	3,601	Tuesday	Oct. 27.

THE Steamship

"OLYMPIA,"

Captain Truebridge, sailing at 4 P.M. on SATURDAY, the 1st August, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., via SHANGHAI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to* the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1896. [9

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A.I.I. American Ship

"COMMODORE T. H. ALLEN,"

Merriman, Master, will load for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1896. [1325

FOR BALTIMORE.

THE 3/3 I.I.I. American Ship

"ISAAC REED,"

Captain F. D. Waldo, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1896. [1522

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

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PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 5th August, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "ERNEST SIMONS," Captain Le Troadec, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via ports of call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

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For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 24th July, 1896. [2

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"ORESTES,"

Captain Pulford, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th July, 1896. [1416

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

GAELIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, August 8, 1896, at NOON.
DORIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, August 25, 1896, at NOON.
BELGIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	SATURDAY, Sept. 12, 1896, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "GAELIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 8th AUGUST, 1896, at NOON, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

ALL PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.
J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 24th July, 1896. [4

"STRATH" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"STRATHNEVIS,"

Captain Pattie, will be despatched for the above port on or about the 10th August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th July, 1896. [928

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A.I.I. American Ship

"CHARLES E. MOODY,"

Captain Leonard, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1896. [1522

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Amoy, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Aug. 1, 1896, at NOON.
CITY OF PEKING (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	SUNDAY, August 16, 1896, at DAYLIGHT.
CHINA (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Sept. 3, 1896, at NOON.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via AMOY, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 1st AUGUST, 1896, at NOON, taking Passengers and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.
J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1896. [3

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"EUPLECTELA,"

Captain Morris, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 10th August.

For Freight apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,
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Hongkong, 18th July, 1896. [1654

STEAM TO NATAL AND CAPE PORTS BY THE NATAL DIRECT LINE FROM CALCUTTA
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For Freight and further Particulars,
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General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 9th July, 1896. [10

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A.I.I. American Ship

"MANUEL LLAGUNO,"

Captain Small, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

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